

New York State Statewide Nursing Home and Adult Care Facility Resident and Staff COVID-19 Infections

OVERVIEW

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General Description:

SARS-CoV2, a novel coronavirus, was first identified as the cause of an outbreak of respiratory illness in Wuhan, Hubei Province, China in 2019. There are many coronaviruses, all of which typically cause respiratory disease in humans. The World Health Organization (WHO) named the disease caused by SARS-CoV2 "COVID-19." In March 2020, WHO declared COVID-19 a pandemic due to the number of countries affected by its rapid spread. The primary goal of publishing this dataset is to provide users with information about COVID-19 testing and infections among residents and staff in nursing homes and adult care facilities.

This dataset includes nursing home and adult care facility reported information about COVID-19 testing and infections for residents and staff for each facility by week.

The information in this dataset is updated weekly.

Data Methodology:

The data source for this dataset is the daily COVID-19 survey through the New York State Department of Health (NYSDOH) Health Electronic Response Data System (HERDS). Nursing homes and adult care facilities are required to complete this survey daily. The information from the survey is used for statewide surveillance, planning, resource allocation, and emergency response activities.

The resident infection data in this dataset begins with April 16, 2020 reporting due to significant revisions to prior survey questions. Nursing homes and adult care facilities began reporting vaccination information in May 2021. The data dictionary provides the dates for when variables became effective. Data cells will be empty for some variables prior to the collection start (effective date).

This dataset includes nursing home and adult care facility reported information about COVID-19 testing for residents and staff, the volume of newly diagnosed COVID-19 infections among residents and staff, information for staff and residents that are newly diagnosed with COVID-19 as well as COVID-19 vaccination status for each facility by each reporting period. The daily information is aggregated to weekly to minimize the possibility of identification of any individuals.

Limitations of Use:

The information in this dataset reflects the most up-to-date facility-reported information available to NYSDOH after limited verification with facilities. Weekly data is impacted in cases where data is not provided by the facility for each reporting date. Weekly data with incomplete data (less than all 7 days) should be used with caution. Due to facility closures, weekly data may not be available for all facilities and all dates. All information reported is preliminary and subject to change. This is self-reported data and is subject to updates, however this express reporting provides the benefit of current and timely situational awareness. Any updates are incorporated in the original data and the updates to Health Data NY will reflect any corrections or adjustments. As a result, you may see minor deviations in historical trends between report dates.